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SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

This Substance of the Interview submission is in response to the Interview Summary mailed December 12, 2007 for the above identified patent application. This Substance of the Interview is being filed within one month of the mailing date of the Interview Summary.

A telephonic interview was conducted between Examiner Truong and Applicants' Representatives, Gary S. Williams and Joshua Olson, on December 7, 2007.

During the interview, the Applicant argued that the Burrows reference did not teach generating an expression for a number range that includes the logarithm of a boundary number of that number range. Applicant explained that Burrows teaches using $\log_2 N$, where N is the number of possible range-based integer values to be encoded (paragraph 0319). Thus, the Applicant argued that in Burrows, the "N" in $\log_2 N$ is not a boundary number of a number range. The Examiner indicated that she would further consider the cited art upon receipt of Applicant's response to the pending Office Action. No agreement was reached.

Since the Substance of Interview is timely filed within one month of the December 12, 2007 mailing date of the Interview Summary, Applicants believe there is no fee due at this time. However, if there is a fee due, please charge the required fee to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (order no. 60963-0015-US).

Respectfully submitted,

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